Officer at 304/815 3000. to the refuge by calling the Federal Wildlife the US Army by calling 1 $888/283~0303~\mathrm{and}$ **REPORT:** Report the location of the UXO to

- retreat, going back the way you came. arrow pointing to it with sticks or stones. Then point, tying a scarf to a tree and/or making an RETREAT: Mark the location by getting a GPS
- shiny and new. Do not touch or move it! size up to 23 inches. It may look old and rusty or
- RECOGNIZE: UXOs can vary in shape and

RETREAT from it and REPORT it. may still be explosive. Please RECOGNIZE it, UXOs may resurface. The powder used in these However, there is still a risk that some undetected (UXOs) that have been found have been removed. for target practice. All unexploded ordnances During World War II the US Army used our area Unexploded Ordnance

> • Virginia northern flying squirrel considered rare:

The following species has been delisted but is still

- Northern long-eared bat • Cheat Mountain salamander
 - - Indiana bat

may be found on the refuge:

The following threatened and endangered wildlife

cause them harm. and state laws that prohibit any activities that may wildlife. These animals are protected by Federal provides habitat for endangered and threatened The Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge

compliance with regulations. refuge requires responsible hunter behavior and for prosecution. The future of hunting on the is a violation of refuge regulations and is cause needlessly disturbing any wildlife including birds, to take specified game species only. Harming or KEMEMBER; A refuge permit authorizes you

to the Federal Wildlife Officer at 304/815 3000. Phone: 304/866 3858. Please report violations reported immediately at the refuge headquarters. and injuries occurring on the refuge must be In case of an emergency, dial 911. All accidents Accidents and Violations

mammals, turtles, frogs, lizards and snakes

of marking a trail is prohibited. flagging, paint or other substance for the purposes Marking any tree or other refuge feature with Trail Marking

strictly prohibited. historical value, plants, animals, or parts thereof is attempting to collect any Articles of Antiquity or Disturbing, injuring, destroying, collecting, or Refuge Cultural Resources

Littering is prohibited. Leave no trace!

hunting is prohibited. The possession or use of alcoholic beverages while Alcoholic Beverages

> Camping and fires are prohibited. Sovid ban gaidmad

indicated on the map of this brochure. Vehicles must remain on established roads as adverse weather conditions or management needs. Refuge roads may be seasonally closed due to

three days in advance of date needed. parking lot only. Permit must be requested at least

be permitted by special use permit in designated camping at Dolly Sods Wilderness Area. This may except for overnight parking on Forest Road 80 for Parking overnight on refuge roads is prohibited

not interfere with the normal flow of traffic. alongside open tefuge roads in a manner that will Vehicles must park in designated parking areas or Parking/Roads

ATV's and snowmobiles are prohibited. and refuge access roads. Off-road vehicles including roads. Vehicles are permitted only on public roads Only legally licensed vehicles are allowed on refuge

Refuge Manager.

after dark unless specifically authorized by the I hour after sunset. All refuge access is prohibited The refuge is open from I hour before sunrise until

General Refuge Regulations

of the hunter's age. hunt days. A refuge permit is required regardless adult at least 18 years of age. The refuge will Virginia must be directly supervised by a licensed Touth 14 years old or younger hunting in West бијјипн утпод

information. refuge hunt permit. Contact the refuge office for A special use permit is required in addition to the Raccoon Night Hunting

permitted. Also, shot larger than #4 is prohibited. Shotgun, archery and muzzleloader hunting is following exception: rifle hunting is prohibited. in accordance with state regulations with the Spring and fall wild turkey hunting is permitted

must be removed by the last day of deer season. other metal object has been driven. All stands any tree in which a nail, spike, climbing screw or or other metal object into any tree or to hunt from It is unlawful to drive a nail, spike, climbing screw

tree branches. from cut conifer (balsam fir, red spruce, hemlock) prohibited. It is unlawful to hunt from blinds made Bending, trimming or cutting branches is

printed on the stand. have the name and address of the owner clearly stands or blinds may be used. All tree stands must is prohibited on refuge lands. Only temporary tree The construction or use of permanent structures Tree Stands/Blinds

deer hunting will be allowed in the RNA. the area for research and education purposes. Only to preserve the natural features and processes of The Research Matural Area (RMA) was established Research Natural Area

hunting waterfowl on the refuge. Hunters must use and possess non-toxic shot while tone sixon-nov

turkey season is prohibited. in the rifle zone area. The use of rifles during the of Natural Resources. Pistols may only be used as those prescribed by the West Virginia Division Weapons legally possessed for hunting are the same

refuge regulations in 50 CFR Part 32). with refuge regulations (50 CFR 27.42 and specific may only use (discharge) firearms in accordance with all provisions of state and local law. Persons

firearms on national wildlife refuges must comply Persons possessing, transporting or carrying รพมงอมเ

on Cortland Road and Beall Lane is prohibited. When hunting bear, releasing and picking up dogs the owner's name, address and telephone number. All dogs are required to wear a collar displaying account for all dogs at the conclusion of the hunt. at night. When hunting with dogs, hunters must A special use permit is required for raccoon hunting a hunter's vehicle will not count as dogs in the field. rabbit, hare and raccoon. Extra dogs remaining in than 4 dogs per hunting party are permitted for hunting party are permitted for bear. No more be allowed in the field. No more than 6 dogs per permitted, but no more than 2 dogs per hunter will birds with pointing and/or retrieving dogs will be birds, bear, raccoon, rabbit and hare. Hunting game hunting seasons. Dogs can be used to hunt Dog training is prohibited except during respective

reservations for the hunt blind may be limited. about disabled access. Due to increased demand, ext. 3018, to request additional information contact the refuge headquarters at 304/866 3858 throughout the hunting season (see map.) Please are available for use on the refuge by reservation in refuge hunts. Two accessible hunting blinds Disabled hunters are encouraged to participate Disabled Access

when deer firearms season is open. must be worn by all hunters, except waterfowl, A minimum of 400 square inches of blaze orange Blaze Orange Requirements

Baiting or hunting over bait is prohibited on the

General Refuge Information

Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) is one of more than 560 refuges in the National Wildlife Refuge System. The refuge was established to protect wetlands and to conserve fish and wildlife resources. Compatible public use is permitted on the refuge, including wildlife observation, wildlife photography, environmental education, interpretation, fishing and hunting (in designated areas, in accordance with state, federal, and refuge regulations). A complete listing of laws which govern hunting is set forth in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations. As a part of the National Wildlife Refuge Improvement Act of 1997, Congress identified hunting as one of the six wildlife dependent priority public uses that should be facilitated on national wildlife refuges. In 1998, 50 CFR Part 32 (1988-1999 Refuge-Specific Hunting and Sport Fishing Regulations) added Canaan Valley NWR to the list of refuges open for hunting. This rule specifically allowed hunting of migratory game birds, upland game and big game at Canaan Valley NWR as a wildlife-dependent recreational activity. The refuge's Comprehensive Conservation Plan identifies hunting as an acceptable and traditional form of recreation, particularly on lands that have historically

General Hunting Information

Access

supported hunting.

Refuge lands can be accessed from the following locations: State Route 32, Cortland Road, Beall Lane, Timberline Road, Freeland Road, Forest Road 80, Camp 70 Road, and A-Frame Road. Parking areas are depicted on the map in this brochure. Hunters accessing the refuge through private property must have the written permission of the landowner in their possession at all times.

Areas Open/Seasons

Hunting is permitted on most refuge lands with the following exceptions: The land surrounding the refuge headquarters and the areas that are marked No Hunting Zones. Please refer to the map. Hunting is permitted in accordance with state and refuge regulations from September 1 through February 28. In addition, turkey may be taken during the spring turkey season.

The following game species may be taken on refuge lands during applicable state and refuge seasons: white-tailed deer, black bear, wild turkey, ruffed grouse, mourning dove, waterfowl, coot, rail, gallinule, snipe, woodcock, rabbit, hare, squirrel, fox, raccoon, bobcat, woodchuck, coyote, opossum and striped skunk. The hunting of all other species of wildlife is prohibited.

Special Hunting Regulations Refuge Hunt Permit/WV State License

Only persons possessing a current, signed Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge hunting permit, a Government issued photo ID, and a West Virginia state hunting license are authorized to hunt on the refuge. The refuge follows state hunting regulations for private land. All hunters hunting on Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge must follow the licensing guidelines set by the state of West Virginia and the refuge.

Bird hunters may also need additional stamps and a Harvest Information Program (HIP) number. Please refer to state Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations for further information.

To obtain your NEW refuge hunt permit, please fill out and SIGN the permit information in the white block on the front of this brochure. You must carry the signed completed hunt permit or the brochure with you at all times while hunting on the refuge. Brochures may be obtained from the refuge visitor center or from any of the following kiosks:

- Parking lot at boardwalk on Freeland Road
- Parking lot at upper end of Idleman's Run Trail
- Parking lot at Beall Trails
- Parking lot at Camp 70 Loop/Brown Mountain
- Parking lot at A-Frame Road Overlook
- A-Frame Road at Middle Valley Trail
- Parking lot at A-Frame Road termination

Violations of federal, state and/or the regulations in this brochure may result in suspension of hunting privileges and other penalties under law.

Harvest Report

Your information about your refuge hunting experience helps refuge staff plan for future hunts based on hunter harvest, users, and comments received. This information is obtained from the State of West Virginia Electronic Game Checking System. You must report your harvest in this system at <u>www.wvhunt.com</u> or by phone at 1-844-824-3251 (1-844-UCheck1). Be sure to indicate the game was taken on Public Land - National Wildlife Refuge.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. OMB has approved this information collection and assigned control number 1018-0140

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Canaan Valley

National Wildlife Refuge 2017-2018 Hunt Brochure

> **Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge 2017-2018 Hunt Permit**

Please provide the following information to complete your hunt permit for the 2017-2018 hunt season (September 2017-February 2018) including spring turkey season:

Name__ Mailing Address_____ _____Zip____ Email Address_____

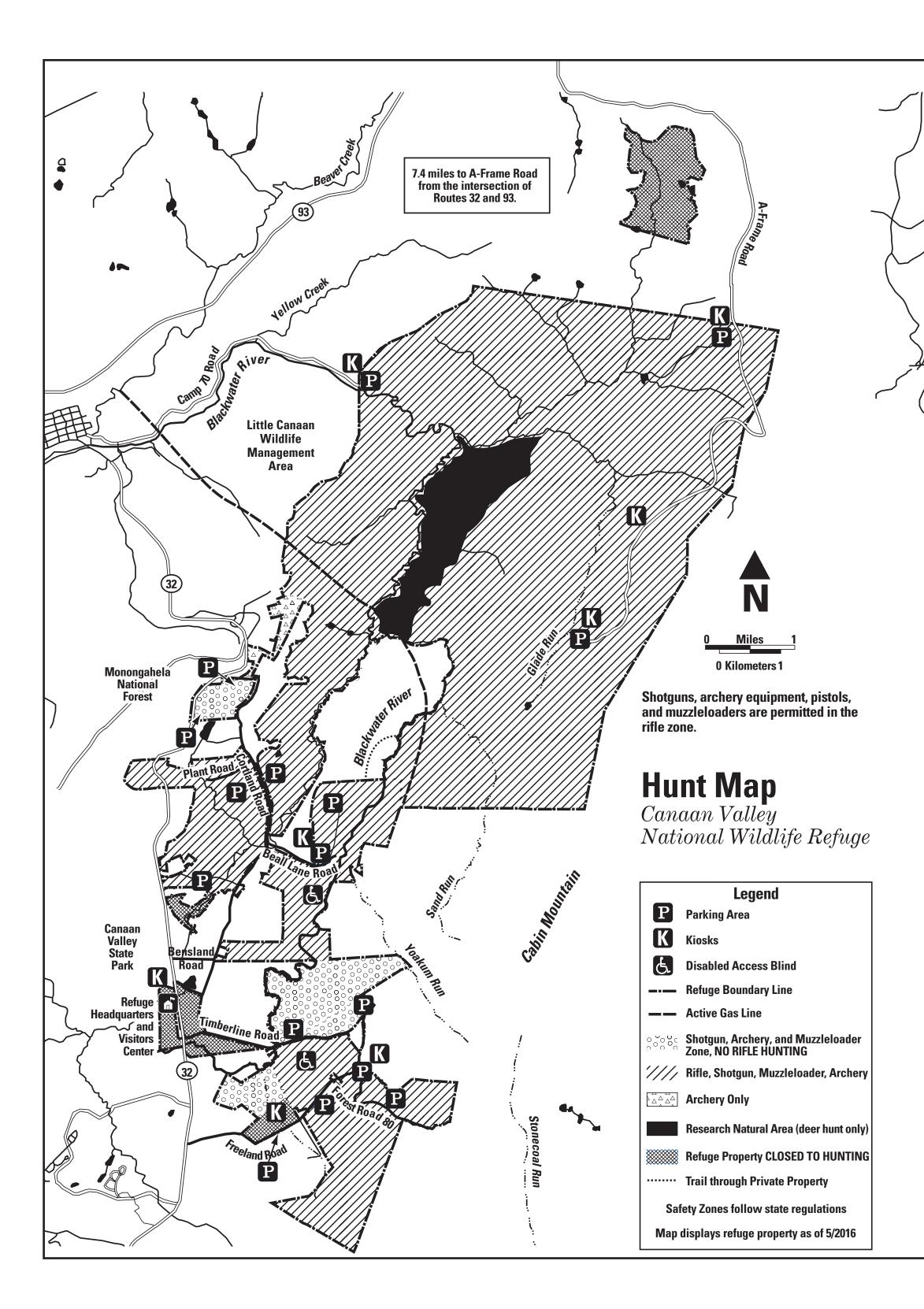
I have read and agree to comply with the refuge rules and regulations described in the hunt brochure. Permit expires 05/31/2018. Parent or guardian signature if under 18.

Phone_____

Signature_____

You must carry this with you at all times while hunting on the refuge.

Visit the hunt page section of our website at www.fws.gov/refuge/canaan_valley



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Refuge Hunt Seasons

For information on hunting seasons, please consult the "July 2016–June 2017 West Virginia Hunting and Trapping Regulations Summary from the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources" available in print or on-line at http://www.wvdnr.gov/hunting/hunting_regs.shtm.

WARNING: There is an active gas pipeline on refuge property. Do not shoot gas markers or near gas line. See legend.

Signs Protect Visitors and Resources

Refuge Boundary

Entry is in accordance with refuge regulations.



Public Hunting Area

The area behind this sign is open for hunting in accordance with state and refuge regulations.



Area Closed

Areas on the refuge are closed to provide resource protection, special management activities, or for safety reasons. (See map for specific closures). In these areas roads and trails are not open to the public. No fishing, hunting or other recreational uses are permitted.



No Vehicles

This area is closed to all motorized vehicles and bicycles.



No Rifle Zone

This sign delineates portions of the refuge that are closed to hunting with a rifle or pistol. Hunting with a shotgun, muzzleloader or bow is permitted.



Safety Zone

This sign marks the safety zone boundary. Shooting behind the safety zone boundary is prohibited to protect nearby residences. Established safety zones follow state regulations whether signs are in place or not.

